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TO AMEMBASSY MOSCOW PRIORITY

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FOR MATLOCK FROM GARRISON

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: OGEN

SUBJECT: OFFICIAL-INFORMAL

1. JIM CALLED TO TRY AND LOCATE NELL, SINCE DUKE FINISHED
A WEEK AGO, AND WONDERED IF YOU KNOW WHERE SHE IS. HE
ALSO HAD A QUESTION ABOUT THE MIDDLEBURY PAYMENT. I
WILL BE IN OVER THE WEEKEND IF YOU WANT TO PASS SOMETHING
BACK, OR HIS LOCAL NUMBER IS (703) 527-1909.

2. MED HAS INFORMED US THAT JACK C. BRIGGS FROM
MONROVIA WILL BE NEW MOSCOW LAB TECHNICIAN WITH ETA
SOMETIME THIS SUMMER.

3. WE WOULD APPRECIATE A BLEAT--TAGGED FOR M AS WELL--
ON SLOWNESS OF RESPONSE ON KIEV QUESTIONS, ESPECIALLY
RELATING TO STRELETSKAYA BUILDING. LISTING UNANSWERED
CABLES AND COMPLAINING THAT WHEN ANSWERS RECEIVED THEY
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ARE FREQUENTLY NOT IN USEABLE FORM WOULD HELP US WITH OUR
FRUSTRATING TASK OF TRYING TO MOVE OUR MUTUAL FRIEND. WE
CAN'T DO IT WITHOUT HELP.

4. YOU WILL BE GETTING A CABLE DRAFTED BY FSI ABOUT THE
EXHIBIT PROPOSAL FOR FEENEY AND KENNEDY. BASICALLY
GEORGE SPRINGSTEEN IS PRETTY SOUR THAT HIS EFFORTS TO TAKE

CARE OF MOSCOW'S PROBLEMS ARE GETTING NOWHERE. HIS
ORIENTATION COURSE HAD TO BE SCRUBBED FOR LACK OF TAKERS.
HAVING THIS OTHER PROJECT BRUSHED ASIDE GOT HIS DANDER
UP. WE UNDERSTAND YOUR PROBLEMS, OBVIOUSLY--BUT WE LET
THE PROPOSAL GO ANYHOW ON THE GROUNDS THAT WHEN FSI
COMES UP WITH SOMETHING POSITIVE WE'D BETTER TAKE
ADVANTAGE OF IT. GEORGE WILL BE TALKING IT OVER WITH THE
AMBASSADOR, AND WILL TRY TO FIND SOME WAY OF COMING UP
SOME ORIGINAL SOLUTION AS WELL. CHRISTOPHER

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